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SUBJECT: CRITICISM OF SECRETARY'S REMARKS ON INDIAN

NUCLEAR EXPLOSION

1. SAMACH WIRE SERVICE MARCH 11 REPORTS THAT A CONGRESS (R) AND A CPI MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT CRITICIZED SECRETARY KISSINGER'S REPORTED REFERENCE TO INDIA AT QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION AT WYOMING UNIVERSITY ON FEBRUARY 4. REPLYING, FOREIGN MINISTER Y.V CHAVAN REPORTEDLY SAID HE COULD NOT ONLY UNDERSTAND THE FEELINGS OF THE MEMBERSBUT ALSO "I SHARE YOUR FEELING" AND ASSURED THE HOUSE THAT NOBODY COULD PRESSURIZE THE GOVERNMENT. HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO QUESTION OF FORMALLY PROTESTING THE SECRETARY'S REMARK.

2. THE DESPATCH REPORTS THE SECRETARY AS SAYING THAT U.S. POLICY WP"TO ENCOURAGE ALL THE WORLD'S NUCLEAR EXPORTERS TO SET UP COMMON STANDARDS THAT WOULD GOVERN THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY IS BEING EXPORTED SO THAT COUNTRIES CANNOT USE PEACEFUL NUCLEAR

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TECHNOLOGY WHICH IS ACQUIRED ABROAD, AS INDIA DID, TO

DEVELOP NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES." CHAVAN REPORTEDLY COMMENTED THAT
WHETHER IT WAS NECESSARY TO MAKE A REFERENCE TO INDIA OR
NOT, THE SECRETARY'S REMARKS WERE IN
THE CONTEXT OF THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY.
HOWEVER, CHAVAN CONTINUED, IT WAS WELL KNOWN THAT THE U.S.
DID NOT LIKE INDIA'S POLICY ON THE USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. SCHNEIDER

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